

The Humble
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Of the Right Honourable the
Lords Spiritual and Temporal

In Parliament assembled,

P R E S E N T E D T O

H I S M A J E S T Y,

On *Wednesday*, the Seventeenth Day of *November*, 1742:

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His Majesty's

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Die Mercurii, 17^o Novembris, 1742.

ORdered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, That the Address of this House, presented to His Majesty, and His Majesty's most gracious Answer thereunto, be forthwith printed and published.

Ashley Cowper,

Cler' Parliamentor'

The Humble ADDRESS of the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

Die Martis, 16^o Novembris, 1742.

Most Gracious Sovereign,



E, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to return Your Majesty our sincere and humble Thanks for Your most gracious Speech from the Throne.

The Support of the House of *Austria*, and the restoring and securing the Balance of Power, are of so great Moment, as well to the essential Interests of this Nation in particular, as to the Liberties of *Europe* in general, that we esteem it our peculiar Felicity, in this critical and dangerous Conjunction, to have a Prince upon the Throne, who not only shews the most gracious Regard to the Advice of His Parliament upon this important Subject, but takes all Opportunities to confirm and animate them in the Pursuit of it. We acknowledge, with Hearts full of Gratitude, Your Majesty's Royal Wisdom and effectual Care in carrying on this great Work, which has appeared in nothing more than in sending so considerable a Body of Your Forces into the Low Countries, and in strengthening them afterwards with Your Electoral Troops, and the *Hessians* in the *British* Pay. By this Step, so honourable to Your Majesty, and so advantageous to Your Allies, Your Majesty has demonstrated, that You prefer this glorious Cause to all other Considerations; and has formed such an Army, as may at once defend and encourage those Powers who are well intentioned, and give a real Assistance to the Queen of *Hungary*: And we beg Leave to assure Your Majesty of our cheerful and zealous Concurrence and Support in this necessary Measure.

The good Effects, which the Vigour exerted by *Great Britain*, under Your Majesty's Authority and Influence,
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in assisting its antient Allies, and maintaining the Liberties of *Europe*, hath already had upon the Affairs of the Queen of *Hungary*, upon the Conduct of several Powers, and the State of *Europe* in general, are visible to all the World. It is with the utmost Satisfaction we observe them; and rely on Your Majesty's known Care and Attention to the Publick Welfare, to pursue and improve them; and we cannot but entertain well-grounded Hopes, that so great an Example, and a steady Perseverance in the same Measures, will inspire the like Spirit and Resolution into other Powers, equally engaged by Treaties and common Interest, to take the like Part.

Your Majesty has laid before us so just a Representation of the Importance of our Deliberations at this Time, as cannot fail to make an Impression upon all true Lovers of their Country, equal to the Dignity and Weight of it. Permit us on our Parts, to give Your Majesty the strongest Assurances that we have the Honour and Safety of Your Majesty; the true Interest and Prosperity of Your Kingdoms; the Security and Advancement of their Commerce; the Success of the War against *Spain*, and the Re-establishment of the Balance and Tranquility of *Europe*, entirely at Heart. These shall be the constant Objects of our Proceedings and Resolutions, from which we will never depart, being firmly determined to support Your Majesty in all just and necessary Measures for attaining those great and desirable Ends, and to stand by and defend Your Majesty, and Your Government, against all Your Enemies.

His MAJESTY's most Gracious ANSWER.

My LORDS,

THE Duty and Affection, which you express in this Address for My Person and Government, are accompanied with so great Zeal for the Common Cause, and the true Interest of My Kingdoms, as gives Me the utmost Satisfaction. I thank you heartily for it; and doubt not but your vigorous Support so early and unanimously given, will have the best Effects both at Home and Abroad.

